

# THE INFANTRY ATTACKS

## SCENARIO ASL TAC21 Translated by Coastal Fortress Gaming Group



**VICTORY CONDITIONS:** The Germans win at the end of the scenario if they control hexes 5X3, X4, W5, V5, V6, S5, R4, R5, N5, N4 provided they have accumulated twice as many Casualty VP than the Belgians (see SSR4).

### CHABREHEZ, BELGIUM, May 10, 1940:

For several hours, the German army surged along Luxembourg and southern Belgium. Within the framework of "Plan Yellow", a formidable armored mass was to cross the Ardennes to outflank the Allies in Belgium. One of the participating units was the 7th Panzerdivision, commanded by a still little known general: Erwin Rommel. He was in a bad mood, for in addition to the congestion and the obstacles, the division was delayed by the resistance of Belgian soldiers. They were the Ardennes Hunters, light infantry which had only the mission to delay the Germans before withdrawing to join the bulk of the Belgium army. In Montleban, a platoon stopped for two hours the point elements of 7th Panzer before Rommel himself organized a successful assault. More to the west, at the hamlet of Chabrehez, a significant crossroads, settled a company of Hunters. Using the broken terrain, a stream lined with an anti-tank ditch and a small bunker, the Belgians stopped the Germans for the afternoon. Rommel was furious and took the control of the attack.

### BOARD PLACEMENT:

#### BALANCE:

✚ Replace one MMG of Heilbronn company with a HMG

⊙ A squad and any Leader/SWstacked with it may set up HIP



15	13	2

⊙ BELGIAN sets up first	✚ 1	✚ 2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	END
✚ GERMAN moves first										



3rd Company, 1st Battalion of the 3rd Regiment of the Ardennes Hunters [ELR:3]  
set up west of the stream {SAN:4}:

4-5-8	1-2	1-2	1-2	6-12	4-11	50* [4-14]	?	Roadblock	1+5+7
12					3	3	8		

Krädschutzen 7 and elements of 25th PanzerRegiment, 7th PanzerDivision [ELR:3] {San:3/4}:

Elements of the Heilbronn Company set up east of the stream:

4-6-7	1-2	1-2	5-12	3-8	50* [2-13]
6			2		

Hagen Company set up east of the stream. The guns cannot be emplaced:

10	2-2-8
2	2

Kleinschmidt Company enter on turn 2 along the northern edge on/west of 13GG4:

4-6-8	1-2	1-2	1-2	3-8	3-8	50* [2-13]
12				2	3	

Platoon of light tanks enters on turn 1 along the east edge:

15
4

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### SSR:

- EC is moderate, without wind at start. Kindling is prohibited.
- All of the hills are entirely wooded (each hill hex is also a Wood hex of which base level is the hill level. The wood edge is the lower crestline). The hill hexes which contain buildings are treated like hex 219 (see A4.31) [EXC: If the unit enters the hex via a building hexside, it pays only the cost of the building]. The roads present on the hills are Wood-roads. Crags do not exist on board 15. Brush does not exist on the hills. Elevated roads are roads on level 0 and bridges 1Y8 and 13CC5 do not exist. The stream is deep (B20.43). The bottom of the stream is level -2 (i.e. to enter and exit is as a cliff elevation change). The Open Ground hexes adjacent to a stream hex are bog. Hexes 13FF4, 13GG4, 13A4, 13B3, 13C4, 13C3 are Marsh (B16).
- Starting from Turn 7 to the end of game, a +1 twilight LV Hindrance (E3.1) apply at all ranges. A drn of -1 also applies for concealment gain drs.
- Starting from Turn 7 to the end of game, Good Order Belgian units which exit along the western edge are not counted towards German Casualty VP.

- The roadblock is placed on 13K6 and faces hexside K6/J6. The Pillbox sets up HIPas night fortification must have a LOS to 13K6.
- The German SAN rises to 4 as soon as a German MMC enters board 15.
- The Belgian squads have Assault Fire capability.

**AFTERMATH:** The Heilbronn company and four light tanks opened with heavy fire. Captain Hagen's guns were a lot more deadly and destroyed two Belgian machine-guns. A Panzer crossed the ditch but did not push forward. All of this activity masked the infiltration from the north by Company Kleinschmidt which attacked the defenders from behind. At 1845 hours, commands came to withdraw under cover of the falling night. About fifty Hunters succeeded in escaping. Chabrehez was taken by the Germans but the 7th PanzerDivision would go no further that day. Rommel once again put into practice the theory from his book: "The Infantry Attacks".